## RESOLUTION NO. 15-629

WHEREAS, Mary Jones is the daughter of Wayne and Elysa Jones, of Huntsville, Alabama, and a graduate of Grissom High School. She began rowing on the Tennessee River with the Rocket City Rowing Club in 2002; and

WHEREAS, while pursuing a degree in Physics at the University of Tennessee, Mary continued to compete in numerous rowing competitions and helped UT to four gold medals; and

WHEREAS, she also teamed with others serving as formidable opponents in numerous national competitions; and

WHEREAS, Mary recently competed at Pan-American Games, held at the Henley Venue in St. Catherine's, Canada on June 15 and was the gold medal winner of the Women's Lightweight Single competition; and

WHEREAS, throughout the off-season, Mary will continue her training and will be rowing in several endurance races this fall. She will return home to Philadelphia to train with other hopefuls from the US National Team; and

WHEREAS, she will train with other rowers this winter in Austin, Texas and go through trails to select the 2016 US Olympic team.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, hereby commend Mary Jones on winning a Gold Medal at the 2015 Pan-American Games as she represents Huntsville, Alabama, in an outstanding and exemplary manner on the global stage and wish her the best as she trains in hopes of making the 2016 Olympic team.

**ADOPTED** this the  $27^{th}$  day of August, 2015.

President of the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama